MARTINSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL MARTINSVILLE INDIANA MORGAN COUNTY, INDIANA MONDAY DECEMBER 1, 2014

Mayor Phil Deckard called the Martinsville Common Council to order on Monday, December 1, 2014. Park Board President, Del Chafey, then led those in attendance in opening prayer followed by the Mayor's leading attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

THOSE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Phil Deckard, Mayor
Terry Buster, District 1
Bob Strader, District 2
Gary Lester, District 3
Jeff Price, District 4
Phil Deckard II, District 5
Eric Bowlen, Councilman-at-Large
Shannon Kohl, Councilwoman-at-Large
Roger Wiltermood, Police Chief
Valerie Hugart, Clerk-Treasurer
Rebecca Tumey, Deputy Clerk
John Elliott-City Superintendent

A quorum was declared present.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Terry Buster to accept the Minutes as written. Councilman Phil Deckard II seconded the motion. The Motion passes 5-0. Councilwoman, Shannon Kohl and Councilman Gary Lester abstained. 2-0.

REPORTS

Mayor's report-New Program

Animal Identification

Mayor Deckard informed the council that a new program has started today concerning deceased animals. The city code enforcer will work with the street department and the human society concerning these animals. Deceased animals will be taken to the human society for purpose of checking the possibility of micro-chipping for means of identification of said animal. The owner of the animal that is identified will be notified.

ROGERS BUILDING:

Mayor announced that there is another business interested in renting a portion of the Rogers Building. The company works with a major utility company. Mayor is concerned of the 5-year contract proposed by the company. Mayor will keep the council abreast of any decisions made.

OHIO STREET

Ohio Street project is ahead of schedule. Mayor has given permission for the company to work 7 days a week on this project.

ANNEXATION-911 Property

Mayor reported that during the Board of Works meeting it was voted and approved of the voluntary annexation of the new 911 property location on Lincoln Hill.

POLICE CHIEF-Roger Wiltermood

Chief Wiltermood reported that the work associated with drugs is ongoing and the department has made drug bust as of late.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MCED

Councilwoman Shannon Kohl reported on progress of the MCED. EDC was awarded the expansion award for 2014 in metal fabrication. Toa was a positive influence on this award.

PARK-Del Chafey

Park President, Del Chafey, was present to speak to the council about recent activities at the parks. Winter Wonderland reportedly had over 500 cars to visit the park on the opening night. December 13th will be the candy cane hunt.

NEW BUSINESS

MCED APPOINTMENT

Mayor Deckard reported that due to the resignation of Chip Keller there is an available seat open for the Morgan County Economic Development board beginning on January 1, 2015. He stated David Trout is interested in this position. Councilman Gary Lester also showed interest in this position. A motion was made by Phil Deckard II to approve Gary Lester to represent the city on the board. The board appointed by acclimation, Gary Lester, to serve on the MCED board.

OLD BUSINESS

AMBULANCE

No new news to report. Three companies are interested. Mayor gave the interested companies a deadline of December 2, 2014 for consideration.

CLAIMS

A Motion to accept the claims as reported was made by Councilman Eric Bowlen. Councilman Jeff Price4 seconded the motion. The claims were accepted with a vote of 7-0.

ADIOURNMENT

There being no further business a motion was made by Councilman Terry Buster to adjourn. Councilman Gary Lester seconded the motion.

Phil Deckard, Mayor

Terry Buster, Councilman

Shannon Kohl, Councilwoman

Gary Lester, Councilman

Jeff Price, Councilman

Eric Bowlen, Councilman-at-large

Phillip R Deckard II, Councilman

Robert Strader, Councilman-at-large

ATTEST:

Valerie Hugart, Clerk-Treasurer